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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

SUPERSEDED BY
9 OCT MEMO FROM
DR KISSINGER TO ACTION
PROGRAM FOR THE
NSCIC WORKING
GROUP

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Special Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs
The Deputy Secretary of State
The Under Secretary of Treasury
The Deputy Secretary of Defense
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT : Follow-On to National Security Council
Intelligence Committee Meeting of
23 August 1974

1. Reference is our discussion at the NSCIC meeting of 23 August and the assignment of various actions to the NSCIC Working Group. This memorandum proposes a follow-on action program.

2. Composition of the NSCIC has changed considerably since the Committee's Working Group was last active, and several former members of the Working Group have been reassigned so are no longer available. I recommend that the Working Group be completely reconstituted to make it primarily a committee of "intelligence users" in keeping with the mission of the NSCIC, and that representation be limited to one per NSCIC member. My representative would be responsible for providing the Working Group with such inputs as are needed from the Intelligence Community.

a. Lieutenant General Daniel O. Graham, Deputy to the DCI for the Intelligence Community, has been chairman of the NSCIC Working Group, and since he has been transferred to become Director, DIA, I nominate his replacement, Major General Samuel V. Wilson (Lieutenant General nominee) to chair the Working Group and serve as my representative.

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b. If this arrangement is satisfactory to each of you, I request that General Wilson ([]) be provided the name of your Working Group member.

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3. The following action program relates to individual agenda items of the 23 August meeting:

a. Agenda item 1 - Perspectives for Intelligence, 1975-1980

Each Working Group member is requested to provide General Wilson by 20 September his comments as to any policy issues identified in the paper which should be called to NSCIC attention. General Wilson will consolidate these comments and submit them to the Working Group members for concurrence and/or consideration at a Working Group meeting as appropriate.

b. Agenda item 2 - Key Intelligence Questions for FY 1975

My Deputy for National Intelligence Officers, who is responsible for follow-through on the Key Intelligence Questions, has been advised to pay particular attention to the amplification of KIQ No. 6 on "Soviet Strategic Objectives" to reflect the addition proposed by the NSCIC Chairman concerning Soviet justification of their strategic programs -- a "catch-up" or some sort of superiority.

c. In response to comments by the NSCIC Chairman concerning warning intelligence and the handling of information in pre-crisis and crisis situations, the Intelligence Community Staff is preparing a report which will be provided to the NSCIC Working Group for its consideration. It is proposed the final report be submitted to the NSCIC.

d. Agenda item 3a - Intelligence Resources Overview

The Intelligence Community Staff will prepare a report for consideration by the NSCIC Working Group on the "people problem" which has arisen as a result of major reduction in personnel strength of the Intelligence Community over the past several years, with

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particular attention to the impact this has had on the availability of skilled analysts. Proposed actions which could improve the outlook for development and improvement of the analytic force in key areas will be included. The Working Group will be requested to prepare recommendations for submission to the NSCIC.

e. Agenda item 3b - Pending Legislation

Follow-up on necessary actions relating to the legislation I have proposed to amend the National Security Act of 1947 in order to enhance the protection of intelligence sources and methods will be the responsibility of the General Counsel and Legislative Counsel of the CIA.

f. Agenda item 3c - Proposed "Omnibus" NSCID

With NSCIC approval of the concept of an Omnibus NSCID to replace all of the existing NSCIDs and codify existing relationships in the Intelligence Community, a special Task Group is being formed to develop a coordinated version of the Omnibus NSCID. All USIB Principals, plus the ASD(I) and the Directors of the Air Force and Navy Special Programs were invited to participate. The Intelligence Community Staff is providing the chairman. First meeting of the Task Group was held 5 September. The coordinated NSCID will be submitted to the NSCIC Working Group for development of a recommendation to the NSCIC. Completion of the project is expected in October.

g. Agenda item 3d - Proposed NSCID No. 9 on Operations Within the United States and Involving US Citizens Abroad

Further action on this proposed NSCID is awaiting comments from the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the draft which was provided to the NSCIC. After these comments are received, as appropriate, a revised CIA draft will be prepared for consideration by the NSCIC Working Group and development of a recommendation to the NSCIC.

h. Agenda item 3e - National/Tactical Intelligence Interface

This item was not considered by the NSCIC at the 23 August meeting. A progress report on the Secretary

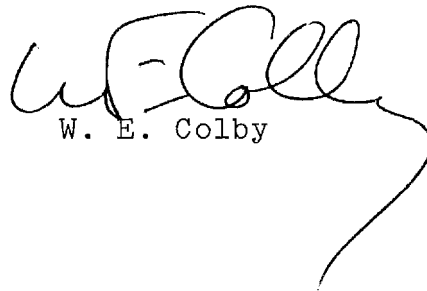
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of Defense/DCI project now underway on this problem will be submitted to the NSCIC at its next meeting.

i. Added item - "The fact of" Satellite Reconnaissance

The NSCIC Working Group will review the DCI's letter of 21 August 1974 on this subject to Dr. Kissinger and make a report to the NSCIC.

4. The Chairman has requested that another meeting of the NSCIC be held within four to six weeks. An agenda of sufficient import to justify a meeting should be available within that time period, providing the NSCIC Working Group is reconstituted with some dispatch and rapid progress is made on the papers described in paragraph 3 above.



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